

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL

Selling for Profits Sinks Wheat Down Over a Cent and a Half.

CASH DEMAND AND CABLES BEARISH

Corn Makes an Early Advance but Loses It—Oats Decline Quarter Cent—Provisions Higher All Around.

CHICAGO. Aug. 13.—Selling to secure profits caused a setback in the grain markets today. Wheat for September closed 1½ cent lower. The cash demand fell perceptibly, but the market was still active, but closed on a reaction and unchanged. Oats lost ¼ cent. Provisions were fairly active. Pork gained ½ cent; hams, 5d.; ribs, 1½c.

Wheat opened at not far from the prices current at the end of the previous session and for an hour the range of fluctuations in the leading future was confined to 10¢ per bushel, a very different state of affairs from the first hour's quiet concentration on the day before. The foreign markets were less excited than they were yesterday, with some disposition to weakness. At the opening Liverpool quoted a rise of 1d., but while the next dispatch from there showed a further slight gain, the latest prices were at a slight reduction from the first. Pork was 20 centimes lower at the opening, and bacon, ham, and ribs were 5d. per pound lower. Cash wheat was offered here at less premium than was offered for it during the previous two days. September fell 1½ cent to 70½d. and was 1d. higher at the close.

LIMA BEANS—Per lb. 1d.

HAMS—Hand-picked, navy, per lb., 1½c.

POTATOES—Per lb., new, 5d.

WATERMELONS—Crated, per doz., 1½d.

FRUITS

APPLES—Per lb. 1d. 1½c.

NATIVE PLUMS—Per basket, 2d.

GRAPES—California, 1½d.

SOUTHERN PEACHES—Per lb., 2d.

CALIFORNIA PEACHES—Per case, Crawford,

2½d.

CALIFORNIA PEARS—Barrel, per case, 1½d.

CALIFORNIA PLUMS—Per case, 1½d.

KANSAS GRAPES—Per doz. basket, 2d.

TROPICAL FRUITS

ORANGES—Mediterranean sweets, 3d.

MELONS—Measianas, 3d.

PEACHES—California, 2d.

NUTS—Almonds, California, per lb., large size, 12c.; Brazil, per lb., 10c.; English walnuts, 12c.; hazelnuts, 12c.; shelled, 12c.; standard, 10c.

PEPPERS—Per lb. 1d.

SPICES—Cinnamon, 1d.

PISTACHIO NUTS—Per lb. 1d.

CIDER—Juice, per half bbl., 2d.

MARMALADE—Syrup, 1d.

CANDY—Sweets, 1d.

LEAVES—Candy, 1d.

CHOCOLATE—Per lb. 1d.

COFFEE—Per lb. 1d.

TEA—Per lb. 1d.

FRUIT JUICE—Per lb. 1d.